GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
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Flights between Delhi and Ludhiana
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has taken up the issue of air connectivity between New Delhi and industrial city of Ludhiana with domestic private operators;

(b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and

(c) the details of domestic private operators approached in this regard including those who have shown interest?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

(Dr Mahesh Sharma)

(a) to (c): Government has laid down Route Dispersal Guidelines (RDGs) with a view to achieve better air transport services of different regions of the country. It is, up to the airlines to provide air services to specific places depending upon the traffic demand and commercial viability. As such, the Scheduled domestic airlines are free to operate anywhere in the country subject to compliance with RDGs issued by the Government.
However, in a meeting convened recently to discuss operations of flights to/from cities in Punjab, the airline operator "Alliance Air" has requested for full viability gap funding for mounting flights to/from cities in Punjab.

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